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FOR AMBASSADOR VANCE (S/NM)

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SUBJ: GREENFIELD MISSION TO TURKEY

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- 1. GREENFIELD'S ARRIVAL DATE ANKARA HAS BEEN ADVANCED, IN AGREEMENT TURKISH MISSION, TO AUGUST 26. HIS TEAM, IN ADDITION TO MANBY, WILL CONSIST OF MICUTA IN LIEU OF RESREP HEPPLING WHO DEPARTING ANKARA END THIS MONTH TO TAKE UP NEW POST UN GENEVA.
- 2. MICUTA, POLISH, IS DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS (DND). FOR MANY YEARS HE HAS BEEN OFFICIAL OF UNDP AND IS ON SECONDMENT FROM THAT AGENCY TO DND.
- 3. MARTENS HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR KIRCA ADVISING THAT GOT FORMALLY APPROVES GREENFIELD AND MANBY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MICUTA'S NAME, WHICH CAME INTO PICTURE ONLY COUPLE OF DAYS AGO, HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO ANKARA BUT NOT AS YET FORMALLY APPROVED. WE ARE TOLD THAT TURKISH MISSION HAS NOT OBJECTED TO MICUTA'S PROCEEDING ANKARA BUT HAS DECLINED ACCEDE CONFIDENTIAL

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TO MARTENS' REQUEST FOR LETTER APPROVING HIS VISIT.

- 4. MARTENS, IN INFORMING MISOFF THAT MICUTA WOULD REPLACE HEPPLING, ADVISED THAT KIRCA "HAD INSISTED VERY MUCH" ON THIS IN ORDER PROVIDE "BALANCED" COMPOSITION FOR GREENFIELD TEAM. HOWEVER. ARIM TOLD INCB SECRETARY DITTERT THAT MICUTA HAD BEEN PROPOSED BY MARTENS AND TRANSMITTED ANKARA AND THAT WHOLE MATTER POSED EMBARRASSMENT FOR GOT. DITTERT TALKED WITH ARIM AT REQUEST OF GREENFIELD WHO IS UNHAPPY ABOUT MICUTA'S JOINING HIS TEAM. GREENFIELD CONSIDERS THAT TEAM'S PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO FOCUS ON TURKEY'S RESUMING POPPY PRODUCTION IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH OFFER MAXIMUM PROSPECT OF EFFECTIVE CONTROL. AND THAT MICUTA NOT ONLY HAS NO QUALIFICATIONS IN THIS TECHNICAL AREA BUT COULD DISTRACT FROM TEAM'S PURSUING ITS GOAL BY CAMPAIGNING WITH HIS CUSTOMARY ZEAL FOR HIS FIELD OF EXPERTISE, NAMELY, VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT. MICUTA HIMSELF TELEPHONED MISOFF TO SAY HE IS PROCEEDING ANKARA ON MARTENS' ORDERS, THAT HE IS AWARE TEAM'S PRIME OBJECTIVE IS NARCOTICS CONTROL WHICH IS NOT HIS "CUP OF TEA" AND THAT HE "WILL BE GOOD BOY". MICUTA ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT MARTENS IS REQUIRING HIM PROCEED ANKARA PRIOR TO HIS NAME'S BEING FORMALLY APPROVED BY RECEIVING GOVERNMENT AS REQUIRED BY UN RULES.
- 5. WE AGREE WITH GREENFIELD THAT MICUTA DOES NOT HAVE SUITABLE QUALIFICATIONS TO WARRANT HIS INCLUSION IN UPCOMING UNFDAC EXERCISE TURKEY AND THAT IF HE ACTS CHARACTERISTICALLY HE MAY VERY WELL INTERJECT AND PRESS IDEAS ON VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT IN MANNER WHICH COULD DETRACT FROM TEAM'S CARRYING OUT ITS MAIN PURPOSE. WE DITTERT HAVE TRIED DISCREETLY AND INDIRECTLY BEHIND-THE-SCENES TO HEAD OF MICUTA APPOINTMENT. SINCE OUR EFFORTS HAVE TO DATE NOT SUCCEEDED, WE DITTERT ARE NOW CONSIDERING SUGGESTIONS WE MIGHT MAKE TO GREENFIELD RE ROLE HE MIGHT ASSIGN MICUTA WITH VIEW MINIMIZING HIS DETRACTING FROM ACHIEVEMENT TEAM'S PRINCIPAL GOAL DALE.

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